

House File 540 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 55)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act allowing criminal history and abuse registry background
2 checks for certain food vendors.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 137G.1 Food vendor — motor vehicle
2 — background check.

3 1. A business that operates a motor vehicle primarily
4 marketing the sale and dispensing of ice cream or other food
5 products from or near the motor vehicle to children may require
6 an applicant for employment or employee of the business to
7 be subject to a criminal history and abuse registry record
8 background check. The business shall perform the background
9 check by accessing the single contact repository established
10 under section 135C.33, subsection 6.

11 2. The business shall inform the applicant or employee
12 of the requirement of the background check required under
13 subsection 1 and obtain a signed waiver from the applicant or
14 employee prior to requesting such a check.

15 Sec. 2. Section 235A.15, subsection 2, paragraph e, Code
16 2013, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

17 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (24) To a business which is authorized to
18 perform a background check pursuant to section 137G.1.

19 Sec. 3. Section 235B.6, subsection 2, paragraph e, Code
20 2013, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

21 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (19) To a business which is authorized to
22 perform a background check pursuant to section 137G.1.

23 EXPLANATION

24 This bill relates to criminal history and abuse registry
25 record checks for certain food vendors.

26 The bill provides that a business that operates a motor
27 vehicle primarily marketing the sale and dispensing of ice
28 cream or other food products from or near the motor vehicle
29 to children may require an applicant for employment or an
30 employee of the business to undergo a criminal history and
31 abuse registry record check by the business.

32 The bill requires the business to inform the applicant for
33 employment or employee of the background check and obtain a
34 signed waiver prior to requesting a check.

35 The bill also requires a business that chooses to perform a

1 criminal history and abuse registry record background check to
2 perform such a check by accessing the single contact repository
3 established under Code section 135C.33(6).

4 The information received by the business accessing the
5 single contact repository includes information relating to the
6 following: Iowa criminal history, the sex offender registry,
7 the child abuse registry, and the dependent adult abuse
8 registry.